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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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PETITION UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

It is hereby requested that the time for responding to the Notice of Incomplete Reply mailed on June 7, 2001 pursuant to the Notice of Missing Parts mailed on April 25, 2001, be extended pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) for three months, so that the extended period for response will end on September 25, 2001.

The fee set in 37 CFR 1.17 for this extension of time is \$870.00. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge this and any other fee which may be required, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-2955. A duplicate of this paper is enclosed.

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